

Harrington Park Environmental Commission
October 5, 2016 Minutes

Peter Ardito opened the meeting at 7:34 pm with the following announcement: In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. It was included in the 2016 annual notice posted in the Borough Hall. Copies have been mailed to THE RECORD, NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS, and the NORTH JERSEY SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

Roll Call: Peter Ardito-present

Cindy Kennedy-absent

Mary Ann Schran- present

Laura Fitzgerald-present

Anne Lander-present

Theresa Hazelton-present

Joannie Turner-present

Minutes of September 7, 2016-Theresa Hazelton moved to approve, second Mary Ann Schran. All in favor. Anne Lander and Laura Fitzgerald abstain.

Eagle Scout Boy Scout Chris Jost to visit and speak about his plans. Chris and his father attended. Chris lives in HP but is with Troop 120 in Norwood. He would like to clear the area near the fence in the park and install a fence with 2" x 2" openings (allowing bees but no predators access). The fence would be 6' to match existing. He would add wood chips to the ground and mesh over the top of the fence. He was planning a kiosk and bench but will eliminate bench due to resident concerns about bees. He hopes to finish phase 1 in March and 2 in June. Peter asked Chris to send an email containing his plans. Then Peter will submit it to United Water. Mrs. Jost suggested a bee cam. Peter will meet with the water company soon.

Green Team Portion of Meeting Thanks to last minute help the Sustainable Jersey Application was submitted. 200 points are anticipated. We currently do 12-15 of the possible 140 actions. Peter asked commission members to review the list and choose 1-2 new actions to suggest. Marti Francis reported that Sue Ryan (an HP School lunch aide) suggested showing the HP School kids films concerning recycling. Theresa said that we need to figure out how to get the community more involved in caring for a clean, recycling town.

Town Day update: successful; there were lemons left over.

Town Cleanup Date (11/5) Meet at Swim Club at 9:00. Anne cannot attend. We have to submit pictures of people cleaning in order to receive the grant, as well as tonnage. WE will do the Lafayette walkway and Swim Club property.

Treasury Report: As of 10/4/16

Environmental (Trust) Green Team account 1272.19

T-Mobile Tree Escrow is 6772.23

Environmental Commission 20.04

Old/New Business

(path in green space near Eastbrook?)

Tree Farm

Should the EC support the banning of stores selling dogs/cats in HP?

Town 5K Theresa will contact the DPW about recycling; Boy Scouts encouraged recycling last year.

NV Earth Day Fair is April 22 in Closter. We may try to expand our day. We will discuss changing our date at the November meeting.

Hawks over the Hudson was last Sunday. We will have hawks at next year's Town Day. Mary Ann asked whether we could show a recycling movie. GT could pay for it.

Adjournment—Next scheduled meeting 11/2/16. Joannie moved to adjourn, second Theresa. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:00.